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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) Method for managing parking of vehicles subject to payment, using a parking ticket machine connected to a parking server, where the method comprises:

a user, equipped with a mobile telephone with a subscription to a mobile telephone network, sends said parking server at least:

information concerning identification of the location of his motor vehicle parking space, information concerning the parking time, wherein

the parking server sends the ticket machine at least the information concerning the parking time,

the parking ticket machine supplies the parking authorization control elements with at least the information concerning the parking time, and

the fee for parking is calculated from the information concerning the parking location identification and <u>the</u> information concerning the parking time so as to bill the user <u>subscriber</u>.

- 2. (Original) Method according to claim 1, wherein the information concerning the parking time comprises a parking period of time defined by the user.
- 3. (Original) Method according to claim 1, wherein said parking authorization control elements comprise a parking ticket printed by the parking ticket machine to be placed inside the motor vehicle and bearing information concerning the parking time.
- 4. (Currently Amended) Method according to Claim 1, wherein

said parking server also sends the parking ticket machine the identification information of the parked vehicle; and wherein

the parking ticket machine also supplies said parking authorization control elements with said identification information of the parked vehicles.

5. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 4, wherein said identification information of the parked vehicle are is supplied by the parking server on the basis of identification of the mobile telephone.

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6. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 5, wherein the identification information of the parked vehicle comprises the registration number of the vehicle or an identification number affixed to the vehicle.

- 7. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 4, wherein said identification <u>information</u> of the parked vehicle are <u>is</u> sent by the user to the parking server by means of the mobile telephone.
- 8. (Original) Method according to claim 7, wherein the identification information of the parked vehicle comprises the registration number of the vehicle or the number characteristic of the parking space of the vehicle.
- 9. (Original) Method according to claim 4, wherein the information concerning the parking time comprises the parking period of time the user wishes to use.
- 10. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 4, wherein the information concerning the parking time comprises the start of parking time and the end of parking time respectively sent to the parking server on arrival at and departure from of the parking location of the vehicle.
- 11. (Original) Method according to claim 9, wherein said parking authorization elements comprise a list supplied by the parking ticket machine or by a portable control device able to receive information originating from the parking ticket machine.
- 12. (Original) Method according to claim 1, wherein the information concerning identification of the parking location of the vehicle comprises a number characteristic of the parking ticket machine or a number characteristic of the pricing zone of the parking location.
- 13. (Original) Method according to claim 1, wherein the parking server sends the mobile telephone an electronic certificate calculated at least from information relating to the user, information concerning the parking location of the vehicle and information concerning the parking time.

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14. (Original) Method according to claim 1, wherein the parking fee is debited from an account with the operator of the mobile telephone network or the parking server.

- 15. (Original) Method according to claim 1, wherein the parking fee is debited from a prepaid account with the operator of the parking server.
- 16. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 15, wherein said prepaid account is rechargeable by means of a prepaid scratchable <u>card</u> ticket.
- 17. (Original) Method according to claim 1, wherein the parking fee is debited from a smart card or bank card introduced into the mobile telephone.